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perceive verb

per·ceive (pər-'sēv «)

perceived; perceiving; perceives

Synonyms of *perceive* >

transitive verb

1 a : to attain awareness or understanding of

b : to regard as being such

| was *perceived* as a loser

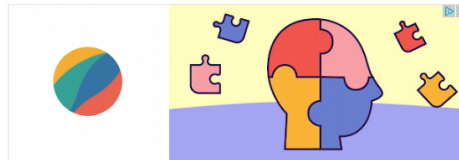
2 : to become aware of through the senses

especially : [SEE](#), [OBSERVE](#)

perceivable (pər-'sē-və-bəl «) adjective

perceivably (pər-'sē-və-blē «) adverb

perceiver noun



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sense

smell

taste

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We *perceive* by means of the kaleidoscopic mirror of this life. This means that our ability to perceive is at once tyrannized by our expectations, and at war with them.

—James Baldwin, *The Evidence of Things Not Seen*, 1985

Standing in the hallway just out of sight during this interview was Sarah. She held her baby on her hip and she listened. She *perceived* as no one in the family could the enormity of the misfortune.

—E. L. Doctorow, *Ragtime*, 1974

... and when they *perceived* her to be little struck with the duet they were so good as to play, they could do no more than make her a generous present of some of their least valued toys, and leave her to herself, while they adjourned to whatever might be the favourite holiday sport of the moment, making artificial flowers or wasting gold paper.

—Jane Austen, *Mansfield Park*, 1814

I thought I *perceived* a problem, but I wasn't sure.

perceived that it was going to be a nice day

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In a profile earlier this year in *The Guardian*, Banks addressed how people *perceive* or misperceive her based on what's online.

—Marc Hogan, *Pitchfork*, 26 Oct. 2023

This shows up in depression symptoms (napping for hours, doom-scrolling at night, avoiding his friends) and anger (losing his temper with our son, snapping at me and *perceiving* very innocent comments as criticism).

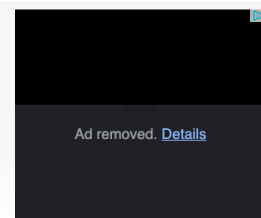


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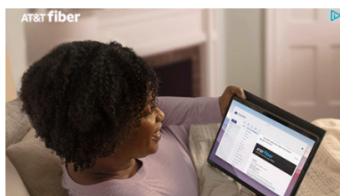


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— Yasemin Saplakoglu, *Quanta Magazine*, 23 Oct. 2023

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Etymology

Middle English, from Anglo-French *perceivre*, from Latin *percipere*, from *per-* 'thoroughly' + *capere* 'to take' — more at [HEAVE](#) entry 1

First Known Use

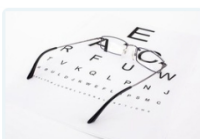
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Kids Definition

perceive *verb*per-ceive (*per-'sēv*)

perceived; perceiving

- 1 : [UNDERSTAND sense 1a](#), [COMPREHEND](#)
 - 2 : to become aware of through the senses and especially through sight
- perceiver** *noun*



Medical Definition

perceive *transitive verb*per-ceive (*per-'sēv*)

perceived; perceiving

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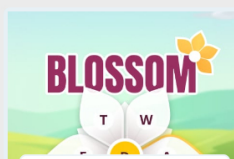
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